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In re application of:

JOHN CLARK LAGARIAS

Application No.: 09/272,809

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For: PHYTOFLUORS AS FLUORESCENT LABELS

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents

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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 19, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- 1) A petition to extend the period of response for three months; and
- A request for continued examination (RCE).
  Please amend the specification and/or claims as shown herein.